

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Original) A composition for improving blood fluidity, comprising a proanthocyanidin as an active component.
2. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition improves blood cell fluidity.
3. (Currently Amended) The composition for improving blood fluidity of claim 1 ~~or 2~~, further comprising ascorbic acid or a derivative thereof.
4. (Currently Amended) The composition for improving blood fluidity of ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the proanthocyanidin comprises at least 20 wt% of OPC (oligomeric proanthocyanidin).
5. (Original) A beverage comprising a proanthocyanidin and ascorbic acid or a derivative thereof.
6. (Original) The beverage of claim 5, wherein the proanthocyanidin and the ascorbic acid or derivative thereof are contained at a weight ratio of 1:0.1 to 1:500.
7. (Currently Amended) The beverage of claim 5 ~~or 6~~, wherein the proanthocyanidin is contained in the beverage in a concentration of 1 mg/L or more.



8. (Currently Amended) The beverage of ~~any one of claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5, wherein the beverage is a tea drink.

9. (Currently Amended) The beverage of ~~any one of claims 5 to 8~~ claim 5, wherein the beverage has blood fluidity improvement properties.